

American Freedmen's Aid Commission,

Eastern Department

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My dear Garrison

Mr E. Harwood, an
old anti-slavery friend, origi:
nally from Providence desires
that when you come to Cin:
cinnati you will come im:
mediately to his house No
131 Dayton Street. The
horse cars will take you
within a square of the
place.

The Pittsburgh people
have arranged with the
Tennison club that you
shall speak for the Freed:
men on Saturday eve (the
Jno Brown Anniversary) Dec
2nd & for the club. as
per appointment on the 4th

I have written back (to Mr
E. A. Irish) that you may
not be able to reach Pitts-
burgh in time for ^{Sat. Evng} ~~Pittsburgh~~
in which case you would
check for them on Sunday
evening, & that Dr Clark,
the Cor. fecy whom I have
seen would approve that
arrangement.

I shall write to Cincin-
nati and ascertain when
you can leave there for
Pittsburgh, and shall let
Mr Irish know the re-
sult.

On a 7. a. c. her had
a good meeting. The "address"
was adopted without a
single criticism. Doubtless
because they thought it
was yours - though I did
not say it was.

The Am. Union Commission
purpose to join us and we-
like Mr Barker - "are within".

We had a conference on
the subject & all hands,
without an exception express-
ed agreement to the project.

We agreed upon a plan, in-
cluding alterations of Constitu-
tion, in case constituent asso-
ciations should instruct us
to go ahead. one of the
alterations of the Constitu-
tion strikes out "Seventeen"
& substituted persons, an-
other strikes out the word
(2 office of) "Gen'l Secretary"
& provides for one or
more secretaries, another
makes Dr Thompson - the
President of the Union Com-
mission - a Vice President
of ours - omitting all the

enumeration - 1st 2nd &c,
but putting the Doctor as
due to his previous dignity
the first on the list. - a:
rather - which by the way
was the first - makes
the title read thus: The
American Freedmen
Aid & Union Commission.

The whole thing however
is tentative as it now
stands; nothing definite has
been done.

George Thompson is to
visit us at Ottoburgh
Sept 2 - 5th.

Yours ever truly

Wm Kim
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